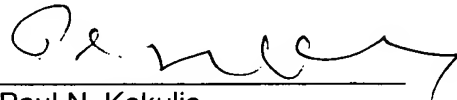


REMARKS

The claims have been amended to improve dependency.
Favorable action is requested.

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